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# COMING EVENTS

## JANUARY

### 1st to 6th

Alumnae Week at Barnard Camp

(For reservations apply to Miss Aileen Pelletier—Everett Street, Closter, N. J.)

### 8th—Tuesday

Meeting: Board of Editors—Alumnae Monthly—  
8 p. m.—Alumnae Office

### 11th—Friday

ALUMNAE-UNDERGRADUATE STAGE TEA—4-5:30 p. m.—College Parlor

Note: The Authors' Tea originally scheduled for Wednesday, January 9th has been changed to a Stage Tea and the date postponed to the above.

### 13th—Sunday

Commemoration Service—4 p. m.—St. Paul's Chapel

The Barnard College and Columbia University Glee Clubs will sing Brahms' "Requiem".

### 16th—Wednesday

ALUMNAE LECTURE—DR. EVELINE BURNS, "The Price of Economic Security"—8:15 p. m.—Brinckerhoff Theatre

### 18th—Friday to 20th—Sunday

Alumnae Week-End at Barnard Camp

(For reservations apply to Miss Aileen Pelletier—Everett Street, Closter, N. J.)

## FEBRUARY

### 5th—Tuesday

Meeting: Board of Editors—Alumnae Monthly—  
8 p. m.—Alumnae Office

Opening of Spring Session—Alumnae Recreational Classes—8-10 p. m.—Barnard Hall

Registration: 7-9:30 p. m.

### 6th—Wednesday

ALUMNAE-UNDERGRADUATE TEA—4-5:30 p. m.—College Parlor

### 9th—Saturday

Glee Club Concert—Brahms' "Requiem"—8:15 p. m.—Gymnasium Barnard Hall

### 12th—Tuesday

ALUMNAE DAY—Barnard College

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## Mary Harriman Rumsey

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### A PERSONAL APPRECIATION

EVER SINCE THE NEWS of Mary Rumsey's untimely death reached me I have been saddened by a sense of grave loss, to me personally and to the college. All her fellow alumnae have had a chance to read in the newspapers moving accounts of her long and honorable and multifarious record of public service—from her youthful founding of the Junior League to the important post of chairman of the Consumers Advisory Board of the N. R. A. So I will not rehearse it here, but speak only of her life as it touched Barnard and of her personal character.

She was a member of that very energetic and original class, 1905, founder of Greek Games. In her undergraduate days, I taught her English composition and argumentation, and learned to respect her sound intelligence and her wide interest in human affairs, and to feel warm affection for her charming and generous nature. Under the stimulus of Professor Crampton's teaching she developed a special interest in Zoology and in Eugenics, so that after graduation she kept in touch with that department and was also particularly concerned with the beginnings of our instruction in personal and social hygiene and the organization of our Physical Education work.

She was elected a member of our Board of Trustees on February 10, 1911. During recent years she has lived so much in Virginia and in Washington that we have seen comparatively little of her. But we have always been able in any need to turn confidently to her for aid, and we have followed her career with pride and affection.

She was a woman of extraordinarily wide interests and most amazing energy and initiative. Sympathetic and democratic in her instincts, she had a passion for social justice and for coöperative efforts to make it prevail. And no one who knew her can ever forget her quite exceptional charm and warm hearted enthusiasm.

In her death, at the top of her powers, Barnard has suffered a grievous blow.

*Virginia C. Gildersleeve.*

# BARNARD COLLEGE

## ALUMNAE MONTHLY

### ON AND OFF THE CAMPUS

"**W**HATEVER our specific religious beliefs, the Christmas season stirs in our hearts warmth of sympathy and human kindliness. It shines on us again like the Star which the wise men saw in the East.

Never did our troubled world need more acutely the light of this star—for our worst troubles—of social complications, of economic confusion and suffering, of suspicion, fear and possible war between nations—could even now be solved by the essence of the Christmas spirit, could we but follow it—could men but follow the star of sympathy, unselfishness, kindliness.

We at Barnard . . . bring our tributes to this Christmas spirit. . .

Let us offer also . . . a vow to try to follow the Star—the essence of the Christmas spirit—in all our dealings with one another and with other nations" *quoted from the stirring address made by Dean Gildersleeve at the Christmas assembly on December 18th and broadcast over the NBC network and by short wave, abroad.*

#### Homage

**A** CAPACITY CROWD OF MORE THAN THREE HUNDRED filled the main dining room of Sherry's, 300 Park Avenue, on the evening of December eleventh, when Barnard gathered to do honor to George A. Plimpton, treasurer of the college for forty-one years and trustee from its beginning in 1889. Faculty, alumnae, undergraduates and friends of Barnard arrived early in order that they might personally greet Mr. Plimpton before the more formal ceremonies

of the dinner. With Mr. and Mrs. Plimpton on the receiving line were President and Mrs. Butler, Dean Gildersleeve, Mrs. Frederick W. Rice and Mrs. William L. Duffy.

President Butler, Dean Gildersleeve, Mrs. George Haven Putnam and Miss Mabel Parsons spoke briefly following the dinner in earnest and affectionate tribute to Mr. Plimpton whose unceasing labors in Barnard's behalf during the past forty-five years have placed the college forever in his debt.

Alice Duer Miller, '99, trustee of Barnard College, and toastmistress for the evening, opened the program by introducing Mabel Parsons, '95, who painted for the more recent alumnae, an amusing picture of Barnard's early days at 343 Madison Avenue when the college destinies were controlled by Ella Weed as chairman of the Academic Committee and Mrs. Liggett as guardian of the college's slim bank account.

Dean Gildersleeve, following, added several anecdotes about Barnard's brownstone beginnings. She spoke with deep appreciation of the work of Emily James Smith (Mrs. George Haven Putnam) who became Barnard's first dean in 1895; and of the faith and energy of that first board of trustees. Mrs. Annie Nathan Meyer and Mr. Plimpton, members of that first gallant company, have served the college continuously with undiminished devotion through the trials and triumphs of these past forty-five years.

Explaining the ideals behind the founding of Barnard College, Dean Gildersleeve paid tri-

bute to the leadership of President Butler who has made sure that Barnard had its full place in the University family, who opened the doors of the Law School to women and who has placed Columbia University at the top in the recognition of the educational rights of women.

Miss Gildersleeve told how Mr. Plimpton had converted minus thirty thousand dollars into plus nine million.

"It has been a varied adventure," she said, "from ringing doorbells at strange houses in search of a few dollars and almost being turned out as an imposter, to securing two million from one generous donor. And he has always made the givers feel that he was providing them with an opportunity and a privilege."

In addition to his ability in guarding and getting money, the Dean pointed out that Mr. Plimpton had a gift, rare in a treasurer, the gift for spending money, "for spending it bravely and with vision."

"No words of mine can convey to you what it has meant all these many years to Barnard to have a treasurer with courage, with vision, with unconquerable optimism, with generous sympathy with women's desire for an education; with fine appreciation of the honor and dignity of the teaching profession," Dean Gildersleeve said in conclusion.

"As Dean. I have served with him through the World War and the great depression. In the critical moments which these terrible emergencies have brought, he has always supported the brave, the farsighted, the generous policy. As one of our trustees recently said of him—he has always 'had faith in the future'. How wonderful to have a treasurer 'with faith in the future'!"

A burst of applause greeted Mrs. George Haven Putnam, the former Emily James Smith, as Mrs. Miller introduced Barnard's first Dean by saying that "she took the stodginess out of study."

Mrs. Putnam traced the growth of the college from its humble beginnings; telling of the trek to Riverside Drive in 1897 when cornerstones were laid with great pomp and publicity, of how President Frederick A. P. Barnard's idea that a great university owed its advantages to the whole youth of the community, women as

well as men, the co-operation of President Seth Low in opening up various of the Faculties to women, and the practical help of such devoted enthusiasts as Dr. and Mrs. Meyer who gave the college its first \$500.00—all combined to give the young college its **present strength**. Mrs. Putnam spoke with enthusiasm of the rapidly growing Alumnae Association which has guarded the birthrights of the college since its foundation in 1895.

President Butler, in a stirring tribute to Mr. Plimpton said that two moving forces were essential to the successful accomplishment of any project—ideas and personality. The ideas on which Barnard College were founded were those of Frederick A. P. Barnard; the outstanding personality in advancing those ideas has been George A. Plimpton. Characterizing Mr. Plimpton as a "large hearted, large minded, fine spirited man", President Butler pictured him as a "great personality at work for an idea."

"The inward and spiritual and immortal aspect of Barnard College," he said, "has been contributed to by this rich personality—God bless him—and those who have worked with him and by him so long."

Following an ovation which lasted many minutes, Mr. Plimpton opened some of the pages of Barnard's financial history never before revealed. This man who accepted the post of treasurer of the college, 'temporarily', forty-one years ago, told of the dramatic struggles for economic security made by the college and its first defenders. The names of Barnard's many benefactors were included in Mr. Plimpton's reminiscences as were the great contributions of Ella Weed and her successors. In conclusion Mr. Plimpton passed on to his audience, John D. Rockefeller's advice to him—"that begging money would do him good"; reminding them that in five years it would be time to celebrate Barnard's fiftieth anniversary, and that if they should go about asking for a little money for that event, it would have the same beneficial effect on them.

Seated on the dais with Mr. and Mrs. Plimpton were President and Mrs. Butler, Dean Gildersleeve, Mr. James R. Sheffield, president of the Board of Trustees, and Mrs. Sheffield, Mrs. George Haven Putnam, Mrs. Annie Nathan



Meyer, Mrs. Alice Duer Miller and her husband Henry Wise Miller, Mrs. E. H. Liggett, Miss Mabel Parsons, Mrs. Frederick W. Rice, president of the Associate Alumne, and Mrs. William L. Duffy, alumnae trustee and chairman of the dinner committee.

### Personalities

YOUR REPORTER sat on the sidelines of the Plimpton dinner and just glowed to see how polished and glittering all of you looked. She admired the masses of flowers on all the tables—flowers presented by Mrs. Ogden Reid and arranged under the personal supervision of her head gardener. She gazed with admiration at Miss Calhoun, Mrs. Lowther, Dean Gildersleeve, Miss Hirst, Mrs. Achilles and Professor Braun, all of whom reserved whole tables for the occasion. Suddenly her eye caught some excitement and activity at the speakers table, a waitress's pen was being borrowed and the beautifully illuminated guest book bound in hand-tooled leather and donated by May Newland Stoughton, '06 was being signed by the guests of honor and presented to Mr. Plimpton. That same roving eye next lighted up at the great box of flowers received from Mrs. Harold Lehman.

Her wandering eye caught Mrs. LeBoutillier and Miss Pullman taking inconspicuous but effective charge of the seating and financing of the affair, and someone who should know whispered to her (*not* during one of the speeches) that Mrs. Crawford had done wonders on the printing, and that Mrs. Rice, although ex-officio, had worked harder than any other one member of the committee. An exception must, of course, be made of the committee chairman, Mrs. Duffy. She had observed her during sixty minutes of that hectic day before the dinner, preserving an outward calm in the face of perplexing seating difficulties, complicated finances, last minute reservations which could not be accepted, countless questions from Sherry's and many vexing telephone calls any one of which would have tried the patience of your observer. It was no surprise, therefore, that the dinner proceeded so gaily and so smoothly with Ellen O'Gorman Duffy ringing up the curtain.

She spotted the members of Undergraduate Council here and there around the room, and was hard put to it to decide who looked better, alumnae or undergrads. There was Lillian Schoedler, down from Boston for the dinner and going right back on the midnight train. There was dear Dr. Alfred Meyer, who came for the reception but didn't stay for the dinner. There was Miss Lambert, growing very pink at the tribute deservedly paid her by Mr. Plimpton, who pointed out that other colleges require many more workers to accomplish what our Bursar and her assistant do so well. There were Emma Bugbee of the *Herald-Tribune* and the *Alumnae Monthly*, Helen Worden of the *World-Telegram*, Pauline Mandigo and Martha Coman of the Phoenix News Publicity Service, Helen Erskine and Helen Chamberlain, all at the press table.

There was Mrs. Duffy, murmuring grateful words to this very publication for its news stories and publicity about the dinner. There was the whole head table—every one of them a face your reporter watched with respectful affection. She wished again, as she had so often before, that someone could and would take down all those priceless facts, and write a history of Barnard which would combine historical and financial background, campus traditions, undergraduate jokes, and all the varied ingredients that belong to the college saga. But since that book isn't written yet, she was desperately glad that she had heard those speeches and seen that gathering.

### Economist

THE SECOND of the Alumnae Lectures will be given in Brinckerhoff Theatre on Wednesday evening, January 16th, by Dr. Eveline M. Burns, who will discuss "The Price of Economic Security."

Dr. Burns is a member of the Graduate Department of Economics at Columbia University. She has written several books and articles on economics and won the British Adam Smith prize for her book "Wages and the State," dealing with minimum wage problems and industrial arbitration. She has also contributed

articles to the Encyclopedia of the Social Sciences and to various other periodicals.

Dr. Burns received her Ph. D. from London University and was an officer in the British Ministry of Labor, administering the minimum wage laws. Prior to the award of a Rockefeller Fellowship which brought her to this country, Dr. Burns was a member of the faculty of the London School of Economics, and was one of the editors of *Economica*, a journal of the social sciences.

On account of her wide knowledge of labor conditions and of various methods of unemployment relief, Dr. Burns was sent abroad by Columbia University last year to study the experiences of several European countries, and especially Germany, in dealing with unemployment. She has recently been doing some work for the President's Committee on Economic Security. Dr. Burns has served as a member of the Committee appointed by the International Association of Governmental Labor Officials to study minimum wage problems. She has been for many years a member of the Board of Directors of the Consumers League of New York, of which she is now a vice-president. During 1933-1934 she served as acting president. She is also a member of the Public Affairs Committee of the National Board of the Y. W. C. A., of the Advisory Council of the American Association for Social Security and of the Committee on Government and Economic Welfare of the League of Women Voters of New York City.

The committee on Continued Education who secured for the alumnae the opportunity to hear this brilliant speaker suggest the following books as supplementary reading to the subject which will be under discussion: "Insecurity—A Challenge to America" by A. Epstein; "Unemployment Relief" by E. F. Stevenson; and "Insuring the Essentials" by B. Armstrong. Additional titles may be secured from the Alumnae Office. The discussion on this very timely subject promises to make this lecture noteworthy.

### Dilemmas

ALUMNAE who took advantage of the opportunity to hear Professor Arthur W. Macmahon of Columbia on "Changing Patterns in

American Politics" in the first lecture, on December 10, of the Continued Education series for 1934-1935 heard a discussion at once profound and detailed of the underlying and surface manifestations of American politics today. Characterizing our period as one of "vigorous but sick politics" and ascribing this situation to the fact that "its major alternatives appear to be dilemmas," Professor Macmahon scrutinized and summarized the political scene. The first and basic problem, the "transcendent dilemma of politics," he called the apparent opposition between liberty and organization. Here he recommended raising the essential ideals of equality and letting liberty take its chances, for "the controls most likely to end in substantial liberty are those that have at their heart a passion for equality."

The second dilemma Professor Macmahon posed is the choice between freeing trade internationally and controlling it nationally. In this connection he spoke at some length on the accomplishments and failure of the New Deal. Subscribing to the doctrine of Charles A. Beard, as set forth in "The Open Door at Home," which he called the most important single book to have come out of the depression, he suggested that the solution to this problem was finding at home the markets lost abroad, as "a practical way to peace and the only way to plenty."

The third dilemma, the "final dilemma of all reform" Professor Macmahon defined as the difficulty of acting vigorously in relation to private enterprise through a government that remains external to it. He termed one of the greatest achievements of the New Deal the beginning that has been made toward overcoming this "fatal externality of government."

With these dilemmas as background, Professor Macmahon analyzed the minor patterns in the foreground of American politics, referring especially to the development of the two major parties. In conclusion he dwelt upon the importance of consumer politics and emphasized the fact that the most challenging themes of the moment are to be found in the relation of the consumer to politics. Making his remarks directly applicable to his audience, he urged their taking advantage of the machinery already

available in their communities for implementing their role as consumers.

After the lecture Professor Macmahon graciously answered questions of various descriptions. Coffee was served in the German room following the meeting.

### Have You Heard

... that Miss Gildersleeve is entertaining all the officers, directors, and committee members of the Associate Alumnae at tea on the afternoon of Thursday, January 10th. Nearly one hundred alumnae are included in this very active group.

... that the number of inquiries about the Public Service Fellowship indicates great interest in this \$1300 award which will be made by the Faculty of Barnard College before May 1, 1935. This year of graduate study which is offered to young women graduates who have shown special ability in the field of political science has been made possible through the Women's Organization for National Prohibition Reform. Applications and recommendations must reach the committee not later than March 1, 1935 and all alumnae who are interested are urged to communicate with some member of the Faculty Committee at once. Professor Emilie J. Hutchinson is serving as chairman with Professor Eugene H. Byrne and Professor Raymond Moley as active members of the committee, Dean Gildersleeve serving, *ex officio*.

... that the broadcast over WEAJ of the Christmas Carols at Assembly on December 18, from the Barnard Gymnasium was entirely due to our Professor Braun, always devoted and untiring in his efforts for Barnard. It is no small achievement—just try it yourself sometime!—to persuade one of the radio companies to broadcast a program from any place outside their own studios, for the mechanical difficulties are numerous and costly. The obvious conclusion is that NBC could no more refuse a request of Professor Braun's than could anyone at Barnard.

... that Josephine Paddock, '06, has again added distinction to herself and to Barnard. During the first two weeks in December she had an exhibition of Views of New York, some thirty oils and water colors, at the Arthur U.

Newton Galleries, 11 East 57th St. Three portraits were also included. Miss Paddock, who has recently been elected a member of the New Haven Paint and Clay Club, spoke last month at a tea at the Panhellenic where twenty of her sketches and portraits were shown.

... that two members' of our Department of Government are helping to shape the destiny of President Roosevelt's Committee on Economic Security. Secretary Perkins has appointed Professor Moley a member of the Advisory Council of the Committee, and Miss Jane Clark has been granted a partial leave of absence to do research for the Committee. She is meeting her classes at Barnard on Mondays and spending the rest of the week in Washington.

... that Emma Bugbee, '09, was among the guests at Mrs. Roosevelt's 'Gridiron Widows' Masque at the White House in December. She went as Abigail Adams, and true to her original took laundry and line which she rigged in the big East Room, just as Mrs. Adams had done before the room was put to use for brilliant parties.

... that another Barnard College Club is being formed with enthusiastic support. Long Island alumnae are meeting on Friday evening, January 11th, at the Jamaica Y. M. C. A., 89-25 Parsons Boulevard, Jamaica, at eight p. m. The college will be represented by Miss Helen Erskine and Madeleine Hooke Rice, president of the Associate Alumnae. Following brief talks by Miss Erskine and Mrs. Rice, organization plans will be discussed and the MONTHLY hopes it may number Barnard-on-Long Island among the alumnae clubs whose activities will be of interest to every graduate. Practically one hundred of the four hundred Long Island alumnae to whom notices of the meeting have been sent, have already responded, indicating their enthusiasm for this new project. Any alumna living in Long Island (outside of Brooklyn) is urged to attend this meeting and become a charter member of this latest addition to the growing alumnae family.

... that the Reunion Committee has some very unusual plans under consideration for the Alumnae Day reunion on February 12th. We could not get their permission to release the details but we hear there may be an exhibit of



creative work being done by alumnae. It all sounds rather exciting and we promise you more in the February issue.

... practically every night the lights of Miss Doty's office shine out, testifying that progress is being made on the 1935 alumnae register. Seen there, often of late, have been Maude Minahan, '17, Helen Erskine, '04, Helen Pattenden Rowell, '23, Dorothy Maloney Johnson, '23, Marion Townsend Carver, '19 and Miss Doty. With so much time being put on the compilation of the register the committee wishes the returns were more complete. Please send your record in promptly and make that light shine a bit brighter as your name is added to the roster.

... that one girl planning to enter Barnard next autumn will owe her education to a winning horse in the Army and Navy Veterans' Sweepstakes of Quebec. The girl had not believed that her desire to study at Barnard could ever be fulfilled, as her mother through ten years of widowhood had been struggling to support and educate her and a brother. Then the miracle—her mother held a sweepstakes ticket, an unexpected horse crossed the line first at Manchester, England, and the girl expects to study at Barnard next year.

... that January 18 to 20 is announced as the third alumnae weekend at Barnard Camp. Reservations should be made immediately. The Camp Committee reports that twenty reservations have been turned in already for the alumnae weekend late in May, all of the prospective campers being members of the Class of 1933. Road maps of the route to Camp are now available for those who wish to go by car. Aileen Pelletier, alumnae camp chairman, will mail them to those who wish copies.

### *Students Well Diversified*

THE UNDERGRADUATES at Barnard this year come from thirty-seven states, while the Canal Zone and Hawaii each have sent two students, the District of Columbia, one. Arizona, Delaware, Idaho, Mississippi, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oregon, Vermont, Wisconsin, and Wyoming are missing from the roll-call. Germany is represented by three students, and England, France, Hungary, Italy, Norway, and

Turkey each have one student at Barnard this winter.

The freshman class numbers 256, and 152 schools prepared these undergraduates for college. The average age of the freshman at entrance was seventeen years, eleven months.

From Miss Libby's office came the above statistics, and with them the following tabulation of religious affiliations of the freshmen and new transfers from other colleges. 77 are enrolled as Episcopalians, 61 as Roman Catholics, 48 as Presbyterians, 46 as Jews, 24 as Methodists, 15 as Congregationalists, 11 as Lutherans, 10 as Baptists, and 30 others are enrolled under the name of Christian Science, Quaker, Dutch Reformed, Union, Unitarian, Christian Church, Norwegian, and Moslem. 42 have no religious affiliation.

### *New Secretary Named*

SPRING PLANS for the Alumnae Fund will be discussed at a dinner on the evening of January 21st when the Central Committee and the Class Representatives will gather in Hewitt Hall.

At a central committee meeting held on December 18th, announcement was made of the appointment of Sylvia Seifert Aymonier, '29, as Alumnae Fund Secretary to succeed Gene Pertak Storms, '25, whose resignation was regretfully accepted by the committee. Mrs. Aymonier, since she has lived abroad for the past four years, has not been as familiar a figure on the campus as she was in her undergraduate years. Her background of college affairs gained as Greek Games chairman, Junior president and vice-president of the Undergraduate Association will make Mrs. Aymonier a valuable member of the Alumnae Fund Committee. Since her return to New York, she has renewed her contact with Morningside Heights by taking her Master's Degree from Columbia in French and she is now associated with the Lincoln School.

The three vacancies on the Alumnae Fund Central Committee have been filled by the election of Ellen O'Gorman Duffy, '08, Gene Pertak Storms, '25 and Christianna Furse Herr, '32.

The MONTHLY is pleased to announce that the



February issue will be placed at the disposal of the Alumnae Fund so that the exciting story of the past two years may be spread on the record.

### *Alumnae Teas Start*

FOUR GRADUATES with grand jobs spoke at the Vocational Tea on Wednesday, December 5th. Each made her vocation seem exciting and caused conflict in many a breast there over what career one would aim for.

Miss Harriet Hale, '11, of the History department of the Morris High School, and Dr. Hedwig Koenig, '18, physician at the Children's Clinic of the N. Y. Hospital, were a bit pessimistic over the prospect of immediate jobs in either teaching or medicine. Miss Hale suggested that those who wanted to become teachers take other jobs while waiting for openings. Dr. Koenig pointed out that if one is willing to leave the stimulus of a large community there are many small places in need of doctors.

Miss Louise C. Odencrantz, '07, director of the Employment Center for the Handicapped, sees a great future for Federal Employment bureaus, for she feels that Unemployment Insurance is coming and that trained workers will be needed.

Mrs. Mary Carson Cookman, '26, feature advertising manager of Abraham and Strauss, claims that advertising is always looking for new ideas. One of the best ways to get in the advertising field is to work up in a department store and learn merchandising.

All speakers agreed that to be interested in people and to get along with others are necessary if you want to get along in their lines of work.

Miss Doty, Anna Reiley, '05, alumnae chairman, and Aline Joveshof, '35, undergraduate chairman who introduced the speakers, are to be congratulated on the success and interest of the Tea.

We call your attention to the fact that the January Tea is to be a Stage Tea and instead of being held on the customary Wednesday, is to take place on Friday, January 11th. You are invited to drink tea with your fellow alumnae and meet some of the well known theater folk of New York.

### *Bergen Club Organized*

PERMANENT OFFICERS were selected by the Barnard-in-Bergen Club at its organization meeting at the Hackensack Women's Club on December 4. Aileen Pelletier, '33, of Closter, was chosen president; Helen Chamberlain, '30, of Tenafly, vice-president; Ethel Comfort Gray, '17, of Ridgefield Park, treasurer; Janet McKenzie of Hackensack, recording secretary, and Mrs. Dudley Martin, ex-'33, of Tenafly, corresponding secretary. With the exception of the vice-president and the corresponding secretary, the officers will serve for two years.

Mrs. Frederick Rice was the guest speaker at the meeting. After presenting the greetings of Dean Gildersleeve, she described the activities of the Committee of the Seven Women's Colleges, as well as Barnard alumnae work in different centers. She urged that the alumnae guide girls with good personalities and personal achievement records, as well as good scholastic records, to attend Barnard. Mrs. Wayland C. Dorrance, '08, presented a constitution and by-laws for the club, both of which were accepted.

The by-laws provide for a regional organization by which Bergen County is divided into eight districts. The directors from each district, appointed by the president, and the five elected officers, form the executive board, to which all power of conducting club affairs has been delegated. Anyone who has attended Barnard for at least one semester, including present undergraduates, is eligible for membership. Not less than five general meetings will be held each year. The following directors have been named:

Englewood: Dr. Helen Moran, '27; Hackensack, Maywood, Rochelle Park: Mrs. Leolyn Smith Sens; Pascack Valley: Evelyn Anderson, '31; Leonia, Edgewater, Cliffside, Palisade, Grantwood: Grace Kahrs, '24; Rutherford, Lyndhurst, Hasbrouck Heights, Woodridge, North Arlington: Emily Taylor, '26; Teaneck, Bogota, Ridgefield Park, West Englewood, Ridgefield: Mary Maxon Dorrance, '08; Closter, Tenafly, Norwood, Haworth: Ruth Arnn, '33. No one has been appointed from the Ridge-wood district.

Mrs. Dorrance is chairman of the Scholarship Committee, which will endeavor, with the cooperation of the Ways and Means Committee, of which Miss Emily Taylor is chairman, to provide a scholarship for 1935-36. Programs of future meetings will be arranged by Miss Evelyn Anderson, head of the Program Committee. Other chairmen are Helen Chamberlain, hospitality; Mrs. Sens, membership, and Ruth Arnn, publicity.

The next meeting of the club will be held early in January. Although the program has not yet been definitely arranged, Miss Anderson has announced that it will be varied enough to attract all Barnardites in the locality. The meeting will probably be held at the Hackensack Women's Club. Dues will be payable at the January meeting, all those joining at that time being eligible for charter membership.

### *Distinguished Alumnae to Speak*

THE BARNARD COLLEGE CLUB is giving a dinner on Thursday, January 17, in the club rooms in the tower of the Barbizon. Five distinguished alumnae will speak about women in various vocations. Helen Rogers Reid will talk about Women and Newspapers. Elinore Morehouse Herrick about Women in the Government, Dr. Gulielma Alsop on Women in Medicine, Agnes Ernst Meyer on Women in Local Politics, and Ellen O'Gorman Duffy will speak for the forgotten woman and the forgotten vocation—the housewife! Dorothy Herod Whelan will be toastmistress.

The dinner, \$1.50 a plate, will be open to members and any alumnae guests of members. As the numbers must be limited to the capacity of the rooms, it is suggested that reservations be sent in at once, and they will be filled in order of receipt.

At the regular Monday afternoon tea, January 14, Josephine Paddock will be the guest of honor. An exhibition of her paintings, in oils and water colors, will be hung in the club rooms from January 12—January 22.

On Tuesday evening, January 22, a bridge and ping-pong party will be given for members belonging to the classes of 1929-1934 inclusive. Ethel Case, '33, is chairman for this evening.

Students from Brooks and Hewitt Halls who were unable to return to their too distant homes for the holidays were the guests of the Club at a tea on Thursday, December 27. Mildred Bisselle was the hostess, assisted by Ethel Couch, Marian Mossman, Helen Altschul, Helen Yard, and Helen Erskine.

### *Boston Reports*

WE ARE DELIGHTED to hear that Boston was not asleep on College Day. A mere matter of change of presidents and a trip to Chicago undid our reporters temporarily.

A large and overflowing meeting was held at Radcliffe with between six and seven hundred present. President Comstock of Radcliffe presided and Mr. Robert Dodge, President of the Wellesley Board of Trustees, was the speaker. What's more, they all had cider and doughnuts. Emma Calhoun (Mrs. Willis C. Stephens) is now president of the Boston Barnard Club.

### *Miss Leet Decorated*

THE INSIGNE of a Chevalier of the Legion of Honor was formally presented to Dorothy Leet, '17, on December 20th by the rector of the University of Paris before a large gathering of French scholars, university officials and representatives of the American and French governments. The speakers praised Miss Leet who has been the head of Reid Hall in Paris for the past twelve years for her promotion of intellectual understanding between university women of her country and those of France.

## ADMINISTRATION NOTES

THE ADMINISTRATION regrets to announce that Dr. Sterling Tracy, Lecturer in History, is unable, for reasons of health, to continue work this term. He has been granted leave of absence, and his two courses in Barnard are being conducted by Dr. Elizabeth Grier, a graduate of Vassar College and a Ph. D. of Columbia University. Miss Grier has taught at Wilson College, and has assisted Professor Westermann in some of his research.

# PROJECTIONS

## EMMA BUGBEE

Interviewed by  
DOROTHY WOOLF



EMMA BUGBEE as *Abigail Adams* at the "Gridiron Widow's Masque" at the White House.

ONCE UPON A TIME Emma Bugbee, then as now, an outstanding personage on the *New York Herald-Tribune*, attended a vocational tea at Barnard. Hesitantly a freshman, with what she shudders to remember calling "journalistic ambitions," joined the group surrounding the then President of the Newspaperwomen's Club.

"How," the freshman at last dared ask, "does one get on a newspaper?"

Miss Bugbee raised an eyebrow, grinned impishly, and replied: "I don't know."

The other evening Emma Bugbee explained why she didn't know.

Barnard in its middle years decided it needed publicity. But if it were going to have publicity, it would have proper publicity—not the sort of stories those horrid newspapermen might write if permitted to roam freely over the campus. So Barnard formed a press club of undergraduates, who were to write nice, ladylike stories for the papers.

"I felt," Miss Bugbee reminisced, "that that was right up my alley—why, I don't know, for I never even read a paper then. By the time I joined the club, almost all the papers had been

taken. Oh yes, we chose the papers we would write for and told them so. Well, all that was left were the *American* and the old *New York Tribune*. To a girl who had been brought up in Massachusetts, a Hearst paper was out of the question.

"So I wrote the *Tribune*, told them that they were going to have a Barnard correspondent, and I was it. And I was. Once a week I took my pieces down to Park Row, and when graduation came along I went down and asked for a job. They were sorry they had nothing. I went back to Methuen, where I was brought up, and taught for a year.

"Meanwhile there was an opening on the *Tribune* staff, and a friend of mine got the job. When she went to Europe she asked me if I would like to fill in. I was thrilled at the idea—and besides, I wanted to get back to New York. I took her job temporarily. She decided not to come back. And so I have been there ever since."

In the years "ever since," Miss Bugbee has been one of the few women reporters on a conservative morning paper. "Women," she chuckles, "do get news jobs on papers. We've



sometimes had as many as three at once on the *Herald-Tribune*."

She has "covered" suffrage activities and women's clubs, written obituaries and, though the little girl from Methuen still dislikes unpleasantness, she has reported murder trials. As every *Herald-Tribune* reader knows, she has been a blue-eyed shadow darting behind Mrs. Roosevelt ever since that ubiquitous lady entered the White House.

For the first three months after inauguration Miss Bugbee's headquarters were Washington; her permanent assignment, the startling and varied activities of an unusual First Lady. When Mrs. Roosevelt's definite personality, her charities, trips, and gracious informality were no longer news, Emma Bugbee came back to New York. She left again as one of the two women reporters chosen to accompany the President's wife on her Puerto Rico visit. Mrs. Roosevelt's important speeches and journeys still find Miss Bugbee from time to time in the First Lady's pursuit.

Like most people who have met Mrs. Roosevelt, Emma Bugbee thinks her a grand person.

"For instance," she says, "Mrs. Roosevelt is so considerate, particularly of the press. She knows it is our job to get news about her and, having held a job herself, she puts herself out to help us hold ours. That is, she is always willing to speak freely, except of course on political and personal subjects. She never acts as though reporters were objects beneath even contempt.

"She is completely natural. She has always had a great many interests in causes she considers worthy, and she sees no reason why, just because she lives in the White House, she should give those interests up. She came to New York recently to trim the tree for the Christmas party of the Women's Trade Union League. She did it last year. She has done it for the last ten years."

But we were getting far from the subject of Emma Bugbee. We both decided she really should be asked how a college education helped a reporter.

"Robert E. MacAlarney, who used to be my city editor," she started, "always said that everything a reporter knew would some day be help-

ful. I guess that's true. A college education helps—only the trouble is to remember the things you learned.

"Mr. MacAlarney also used to say that if he sent a man to write a story about a Bowery bum or something equally pathetic, and if that man had read Swift's 'Letters to Stella,' he would write a better story.

"No, I didn't go out and buy the 'Letters to Stella'—but I did get a lovely Shakespeare, complete in one volume. It's still in the bottom of my desk. We used to use things like that years ago when women wrote more feature stuff. But now women, at least on morning papers, must write straight news stories.

"Stanley Walker insists that women on the *Herald-Tribune* have to cover everything—that the only things they can't seem to master are the transit problem and city finance. Technically, I report women's activities. Other women reporters revolt at that and men feel sorry for me. But I can't see anything wrong with it. Women's activities nowadays often result in our covering even the transit problem and city finance. Their activities are often as important stories as men's doings."

And Miss Bugbee told how she was once assigned to report a League of Women Voters meeting. Alfred E. Smith arrived to speak and made his first public announcement of his views on prohibition. Emma Bugbee's "woman's" story was national news. On another occasion she was sent to New Brunswick, N. J., to do a little sob-sistering on two suicides. That turned out to be the first story on the Halls-Mills case.

Possessed of a bubbling sense of humor, Miss Bugbee has had her share of amusing incidents in her career. Even a murder trial and a Woman's Christian Temperance Union meeting had their moments.

The murder trial was that of a woman, accused of killing her lover with a flatiron. It ended late at night with an acquittal. Waiting for her train to New York, Miss Bugbee wandered into the District Attorney's office and asked what would happen to Exhibit A—the flatiron. No one knew and no one, including Miss Bugbee, really cared.

"Next day," she recalls with glee, "a Bridgeport paper ran a long story on the ghoulish



woman reporter who asked the District Attorney for the flatiron as a souvenir of the trial."

At the W. C. T. U. meeting the men reporters annoyed the temperate ladies of the union by smoking. The *Herald-Tribune*, represented by Miss Bugbee, later received an indig-

nant letter complaining about their reporter who smoked a smelly black pipe. Miss Bugbee, who seldom smokes, even cigarettes, was called on the carpet by a convulsed city editor.

"Henceforth," he told her "when you smoke, get yourself a mother of pearl pipe."

## AN ALUMNAE REGISTER....WHY ?

SOMEWHERE IN THE WORLD are five thousand women whose background of college training has been the same as yours. To some extent and perhaps unconsciously, their lives have been colored by their Barnard years. Quite naturally you want to know where they are and what they are doing.

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Only half of you have answered. When you get your copy of the Register, you will be annoyed to find that the information published about you is five years old and probably incorrect while that about your best friend is accurate and interesting.

Please let the committee know at once about those last five years, whether they have been uneventful or exciting. *It is your record that we want.*

If you have any clues which will help us locate these alumnae whose first class mail is being returned to us, please help us with information about their jobs, their families or their recent marriages.

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| <b>1903</b> Cochery, Mme. Jean (Alice Clara Bamberger).      | Rankin, Ethel Lee.                                  |
| <b>1904</b> Peiffer, Ella Rebekah.                           | Walden, Mrs. George (Julia Elise Carroll).          |
| Caples, Mrs. Byron H. (Edith Jessie Caples).                 | <b>1915</b> Hochschild, Gertrude.                   |
| <b>1905</b> Brown, Ann Eliza.                                | Jordon, Anna Gounod.                                |
| Cohen, Helen Nessa.  | <b>1916</b> Albert, Estelle.                        |
| Donnelly, Marguerite Kaughren.                               | Klopper, Elma.                                      |
| Sercomb, Margaret Grace.                                     | <b>1917</b> Tonnies, Mrs. Fred W. (Clara Neubauer). |
| <b>1907</b> Glaser, Mrs. Frederick L. (Juliet S. Poyntz).    | Munter, Ella.                                       |
| <b>1908</b> Gardner, Mrs. Raymond (Agnes Margaret Marshall). | Wilson, Lillian.                                    |
| Morehouse, Esther.   | <b>1918</b> Adler, Stella (Stella Larrimore).       |
| <b>1911</b> English, Elizabeth.                              | Willrich, Erica.                                    |
| <b>1912</b> Berkowitz, Mrs. Irene London.                    | <b>1919</b> Iynega, Mrs. K., Jr. (Kei Sakamoto).    |
| <b>1913</b> Fox, Etta B.                                     | <b>1920</b> Brill, Bessie L.                        |
| Latzke, Pauline.   | Crowley, Margaret Phoebe.                           |
| <b>1914</b> Bernstein, Judith S.                             | Harris, Ethel.                                      |
| Brittain, Margaret.  | Kerr, Grace Mayfred.                                |
| Cohn, Caroline.  | <b>1921</b> Bell, Josephine.                        |
| Friedman, Hortense.  | <b>1922</b> Davis, Isabel Lenore.                   |
| Martin, Mrs. Arthur Stanley (Virginia I. Brittain).          | Root, Mrs. Wells (Lilian Segal Kopeloff).           |

- 1923** Fish, Mrs. Ray V. (Myrtle Hemstreet).
- 1924** Graves, Lottie.  
Scott, Mrs. G. N. (Ethel D. Allen).
- 1926** Carmody, Mrs. Marion Gallagher.  
Chou, Harriet S. T.  
Michelman, Mrs. Myer J. (H. Starr Salinger).  
Paschal, Marian.  
Williams, Mrs. Francis (Helen Frances Williams).
- 1927** Michelson, Miriam.
- 1930** Anderson, Winifred.  
Coe, Mrs. Rose Marcus.  
March, Esther (Esther Mogilevsky).  
Stanley, Mrs. Leo (Stella Bourget Zulinski).
- 1931** Borders, Mrs. Irwin (Helen Beery).
- Maximon, Mrs. Harry I. (Selma Cohen).**  
**Oakley, Elsie W.**
- 1918** Moss, Mrs. Arthur Wayne (Ruth Toledano).
- 1920** Summers, Mrs. William F. (Marion O'Brien).  
Tye, Ethel.
- 1922** Cottrell, Mrs. Edgar H. (Leona Balfe Cottrell).  
Hudson, Mrs. J. Glenn (Ruth S. Graffin Hudson).  
Koupal, Mrs. Theodore M. (Jean Ruhl).
- 1923** Allen, Lylia B.  
Stadholz, Mrs. Benjamin (Catherine Frances Meyer).
- 1924** Ferriss, Alice B.  
Kaufman, Stella Ruth.  
Sanderson, Jennie.
- 1925** Hasbrouck, Margaret Blauvelt.  
Hull, Mrs. Harmon H. (Cornelia S. Loomis).  
Newfield, Mrs. Max (Sylvia Valenstein).  
Petersen, Christine E.
- 1926** Lankton, Mrs. L. Stuart (Doris E. Pitschner).
- 1927** Marqusee, Mrs. Gerald (Etta Else Isaacs).  
Means, Mrs. William Dunn (Mary MacMullin).
- 1928** Cohen, Mrs. Felix (Lucy Kramer).  
Conard, Rosalie.  
King, Mary Kathryn.  
Lowndes, Elizabeth Gaillard.  
Taylor, Harriet M.
- 1929** Escuder, Mrs. Jose M. (America Maria Gonzalez).  
Friedberg, Mrs. Charles K. (Gertrude Tonkonogy).  
Haas, Pauline.  
Kanter, Miriam.  
Lachman, Mrs. Louis A. (Marion D. Ress).  
Lorin, Germaine M.  
Shor, Hannah R.  
Vogel, Mrs. Herbert S. (Beulah Allison).
- 1930** Alexander, Mrs. David (Alice M. LeMere).
- 1931** Aubeck, Mrs. John (Dorothy L. Shelley).  
Geller, Mrs. Ferdinand (Ruth Levy).
- 1932** Abbitt, Gertrude.  
Comer, Betty E.  
Goodwin, Mrs. Lucile Retan.  
Preis, Sarah E.
- 1933** Rose, Mrs. J. R. (Craft, Virginia Dupree).  
Shapiro, Evelyn.  
Sweedris, Irene Emma.
- 1898** Hawkins, Katharine S.
- 1901** Oppenheimer, Florence.
- 1905** Biggin, Florence I.
- 1906** Kahn, Mrs. Walter Nathan (Rose Erstein).
- 1908** Burrows, Edith M.  
Glen, Helen R.  
Haberman, Mrs. Robert (Thorburg M. Brundin).  
Pollock, Wilma Vera.
- 1909** Edwards, Mrs. Emlyn Reese (Margie Dann).
- 1911** Brown, Juanita.  
McKendry, Mrs. James B. (Helen L. Amy).
- 1913** Hess, Mrs. Mortimer (Marion Newman).
- 1914** Quimby, Mrs. E. E. (Mary Lawler).  
Waller, Mrs. Charles D. (Alta Ord).  
Williams, Mrs. James C. (Sarah Davis).
- 1915** Burlingame, Mrs. H. S. (Caroline Lunt).
- 1916** Armstrong, Mrs. George S. (Dorothy C. Miller).  
Civic, Mrs. Carolyn S. (Carolyn Gertrude Stoff).  
Davis, Margarite.  
Lucey, Louise.
- 1917** Collins, Helen Browne.  
Cullison, Mrs. Douglas L. (Beatrice Walker).  
Frenzel, Anita.

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# CAN WOMEN UNDERSTAND POLITICS?

RAYMOND MOLEY

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WHEN WOODROW WILSON was a youngish graduate student at Johns Hopkins University, two immediate objectives disturbed his peace of mind. One was to secure a satisfactory teaching post where he might achieve his desire to study, teach and express his ideas on his favorite subject of politics. The other was to marry Ellen Axton of Georgia. The road to both objectives was opened by a woman, Dean M. Carey Thomas, who offered him a position teaching history and politics in the new Bryn Mawr College.

A note of apology runs through the letters in which he announced this happy event to the future Mrs. Wilson. It would offer a sufficient livelihood to justify their marriage; but the prospect of teaching his solemn subject to women appalled him. The same note ran through letters written during his short service at Bryn Mawr. He longed, as he said, to teach men. He saw in that prospect the outlet for more vital instruction and more mind-gripping discussion. Finally, he left Bryn Mawr, and, apparently, carried with him his prejudices.

That was nearly fifty years ago. It is probable that many of the objections with which Wilson concerned himself have disappeared in the vast changes that have taken place since then in the average woman's outlook and equipment. But there is still abroad in the land the prejudice that Wilson expressed. It is that after all, women are pretty poor instruments for political action and quite inadequate receptacles for political wisdom.

WHICH IS A DELUSION, pure and simple!

It is not my purpose here to touch on the much discussed question of the place of women in political life. I am speaking of women as students in college and of their ability to understand politics in the academic sense, which, of course, goes to a much broader body of human knowledge than the arts that are practiced in the districts or on election day. I speak from

personal experience, because for twenty years I have taught successive generations of college pupils what seem to me to be the essentials of political science. Certain conclusions are inescapable as I think over the experience of those years.

IN THE FIRST PLACE, women students in political science, as contrasted with men, are a diffident lot. They come into a course apparently with a certain sense of inferiority. Probably their fathers, over the breakfast table (or perhaps I am wrong and the family breakfast has ceased to be an institution) have discoursed with apparent wisdom and perspicacity on the questions raised by the morning paper. On all sorts of subjects the daughters have been permitted to speak, and on some, they have quite monopolized attention. But when the affairs of the nation are being considered, tradition and general consent permit the lord and master of the household to hold undisputed sway. The sons, of course, echo the paternal theme, but the daughters are ignored. What can they know of such practical and vital issues?

And so, as the result of years of this suppression, they come to the subject at all times with uncertainty and humility. As a consequence, the amount of discussion in a class of college women on a subject of this sort is small. It is hesitant and tentative; it flows freely only when certain general subjects such as war, relief and political personalities are involved. On practically all else there is silence!

But this humility is the beginning of wisdom, because to an extraordinary degree the average woman student applies herself to the subject with more industry, and, I believe, an equal intelligence, as compared with men. Whenever I have had to teach one class of men and, in the same semester, another class of women, and I have been able to compare the amount of work and the quality of their written interpretations of what they have read, the women have



excelled, both in quantity and in quality. The false certainty about the unknown, the simple notions concerning the complex, the intermingling of primitive prejudices, of scraps of knowledge, that distinguish the father-and-son discussion of politics takes its toll in the method of a young man's approach to politics. Usually the thing that everyone talks about with assurance is the thing that very few people understand, and this is particularly true of politics. Young men students have a good deal to unlearn and vastly exalted pretensions to throw off. Hence, their way to the heart of the subject is much more difficult and devious. The attitude of the young woman is that she simply does not know, and she tries to learn directly, earnestly and industriously. And she does learn.

THE NOTION that her mind is of such a nature as makes politics a lost art is a survival of the barbaric logic of the years when women's suffrage was under consideration. It is simply not true. The subject matter of political science, which is a blend of economics, psychology, and many other divisions of human knowledge, is, when most powerfully articulated by such masters as Aristotle, Jefferson and Burke, the product of artistry rather than science. Science exists there, but the entire subject is too vast to be limited to scientific determination. This is what men too often forget. In the humility with which a woman approaches the subject, it is a point she grows to understand. She develops that indefinite but vastly important quality known as political sense as easily as her brothers, and, because she takes the acquisition of the subject matter seriously, her grasp is likely to be more secure.

If someone should ask me what distinguishes a master of political action from a journeyman, I should say that it is something as elusive as Maggie Wylie's definition of woman's charm. And speaking of WHAT EVERY WOMAN KNOWS, the play itself is an eloquent exposition of what I have been talking about. John Shand had the

facts, or thought he had, but Maggie Wylie knew what they meant.

The woman student, moreover, finds, as she burrows her way into political science, that the subject matter with which she is dealing has many contacts with other divisions of human knowledge which, to the uninitiated, are wholly remote from the science of politics. She finds that the riches of literature, insofar as they are an exposition of the realities of human life, are vitally important to an understanding of what has happened in the political life of the state. She finds, for example, that more can be learned from the writings of Dickens of what happened in England in the middle of the 19th Century than from the writings of Gladstone, or even, perhaps, from such a masterly interpretation of Gladstone as that of Lord Morley. She finds that no one is a better guide to the politics of the great West in the period following the Civil War than Mark Twain. Examples might be multiplied.

The political facts, it is true, end with the creation of governmental institutions; but they originate in a thousand physical and psychological conditions and circumstances closely rooted in the day-to-day routine of human life. When, after something more than a cursory study of governmental externals, this deep fact is perceived, the woman student moves with greater assurance; her political horizons are extended; deep and sympathetic knowledge of the subject emerges.

OF THE USES to which this knowledge may be put there are many examples abroad in the land, examples which will be multiplied as time goes on. Political life needs not only leaders equipped with knowledge and animated by public spirit, but a slow leveling up of citizenship. As this citizenship makes itself articulate, it will be respected and obeyed. For the leaders in politics are leaders because they are able to perceive a leveling up of human intelligence sooner than others. Better government is the result, more intelligent and more humane government, which in the last analysis, is an adequate return for the pursuit of an otherwise neglected subject.



# BARNARDIANA

THOSE STUDENT FELLOWSHIPS must do *something* for international good will, for we never see a map of Europe without peering at Esthonia and wondering how Elu is faring there. "Elu" was our affectionate name for Oilme Ploompuu, Student Fellow in 1927-8.

She was just one of the seven foreign students who have come to Barnard for a year's work since the fellowships began in 1925, but she was one of the most popular. Her merry presence did a lot to help our drive the following year for undergraduate contributions to our unique exchange fellowships. "Merry"! Mischievously devilish would better describe the stocky, sturdy little Esthonian who arrived from the shores of the Baltic that year. We can still see her, fairly rocketing around the gym, and panting with pleasure at the sight of all the apparatus which she could use. How she ever combined such strength with such blonde demureness fascinated us all—for she looked like a cherub with coloring by Fra Angelico. She majored in Psychology, and later did considerable work at Teachers College before going home.

There have been other hilariously successful student fellows, too. Last year's visitor from New Zealand was tremendously popular on campus, and went up to Silver Bay with the college delegation last summer. Sheila Porteous took to New York and to American customs easily and happily, perhaps because of the good work done by one of our own alumnae. The only Barnard graduate in New Zealand met her in Auckland before she sailed, and explained lots of mysteries to her; that American coffee was made with water, not milk, that Americans ate with the fork in the right hand, that Wigs and Cues was a dramatic society, and that Greek Games—well, we don't know how she did try to sum up Greek Games in a phrase. This nice alumna lent her a song-book and a cap and gown, and started her off on her five weeks voyage, representing Barnard very well, we think. Sheila did work in economics and household chemistry in the year she lived here, but that isn't all she did, for



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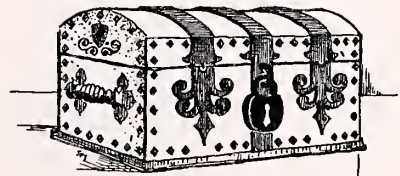
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the Dunedin newspapers commented, on her return, that "She looks very smart in her American clothes—the angle at which she wears her hat being a real object lesson to those embarking on new spring hats."

The first of our exchange students was Gunvor Stenberg, who came over from Finland in 1925 to do work in English and Fine Arts. Two years later the dimpled Elu arrived, together with Barbara Zarniko, a German girl interested in Physics. Barbara did a great deal of her work at Columbia, being a more advanced student than most undergraduates, and she never did get to know Barnard very well. The next year the students voted enthusiastically to ask someone from Russia, but passport or other complications postponed the arrival of Julie Averkieva until 1929. Julie was a quiet little Russian with a genius for anthropology. She made a summer research trip into Alaska while she was here, and did awfully well. She finally went back to Russia to try to find two sisters who had just quietly vanished. We can't find out whether or not she ever found them.

Mary McKenzie came over from England the next year—a tremendously attractive math major with a fine record. In 1931 we had none, but in 1932 along came tall Ella B. Sanders from (just guess, from her name) . . . . Holland! She liked economics and government—and Barnard. Sheila, the popular Sheila, succeeded her, but this year no one holds the honored post, for the poor undergraduates didn't seem to be able to raise that second thousand dollars. Instead, our noble trustees have invited five young women over—representatives from Turkey, Norway, France, Italy and Hungary. We just wish we were in college now!

Before we close this painstaking account of What Barnard Does for International Understanding, let us slip in a mention of our own graduates who have been sent, on this same fellowship, to some foreign university. It is a fine list, and any student who dug into her pocket for her contribution may well feel gratified. Dot Miner went to the University of London in 1926, where Madeline Russell in 1929 and Catherine Strateman in 1934 followed her. Peg Goodell attended the Sorbonne in

1927. Sue Osmotherly in 1928 and Frances Smith in 1932 entered the London School of Economics. Mary Goggin was sent to Athens in 1930, Anne Gary went to Oxford in 1931, and Gena Tenney of '33 went to the Royal College of Music in London. Not many odd spots on the map, but rather a nice range of interests, don't you think?

## BARNARD BUY-WAYS

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## CLASS NOTES

**1908** ANNIE G. TURNBULL is living at Christodora House, 601 East 9th Street, New York City, this winter.

**1909** HELEN AIGUIER WARNER has the honor of being 1909's first grandmother and reports that she feels "grand".

JESSIE LEVY FEIST of Tacoma, Washington has three daughters, the eldest of whom, Lucille, spent her Freshman year at Barnard last year. Lucille and her sister Doris are now at the University of Washington in Seattle. The youngest daughter, Muriel is still in High School.

HELINDA SMITHERS SERIS has returned to Spain and writes that they were confined to the house during the recent uprising in that country for fear of stray bullets even though Madrid fared better than many other places. She reports that she keeps in touch with American Universities through the visiting professors who come to Madrid and by keeping open house for the Smith-Vassar-Wellesley girls who spend their Junior year in Spain.

MAY STARK HILDESLEY writing from her home in London says that except for her membership in an Anglo-American club, she has "turned into a British subject" and loves living in England. She has two daughters who "are longing to discover America." The elder daughter, Joan is studying sculpture and stage-designing and has gained her Gold Medal from the Royal Academy of Dramatic Art. The younger girl has already passed examinations which would qualify her to enter Barnard but she will enter London University in the fall.

FLORENCE WYETH McLEAN has lived in Rapallo, Italy for eleven years and writes most enthusiastically of the country. She has seen the New Italy grow and says "it really is a country of ideals, of self-sacrifice, of youth and hope." Her daughter Jane who is now taller than her mother, speaks five languages and writes music of the lighter sort. Jane and Professor William Tenney Brewster became great friends during the time the Professor and Mrs. Brewster were in Italy last year.

**1915** ANNA KONG MEI (Mrs. H. C.) is vice-president of the next Pan-Pacific Women's Conference. The next conference will probably be held in Japan in 1937, the last one, at which Mrs. Mei was elected, was held in Honolulu in August, this year. Mrs. Mei's address is P. O. Box 800, Shanghai, China.

**1917** BEATRICE LOWNDES EARLE who succeeded the late Miss May Margaret Fine as headmistress of Miss Fine's School was the guest of honor at a reception given by the Trustees at the school in Princeton. The present school building is the former Princeton Inn of pre-war years.

**1919** Married—DOROTHY LANGDON POTTER to Logan D. Grupelli, Jan. 12, 1934. They are living at 85 Washington St., East Orange, N. J.

**1922** Married—KATHERINE R. BASSLER to Dr. Kent

Keppler, July 29, 1934. They live at 1015 N. Charles St., Baltimore.

**1925** Married—DR. FUMIKO YAMAGUCHI to Dr. Kadeysosu Amano, May 14, 1934. The Doctors Amano have gone to Japan for two years graduate study and are living in Kurama Michi Machi 1., Nagoya, Japan.

**1926** Married—LUCIA JANICKE to Reginald Dawe, July 22, 1933. Mr. and Mrs. Dawe are living at 412 Fourth Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

**1927** Born—to Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Salomon, (ROSLYN SCHLESINGER) a daughter, Carol Roth, June 14, 1934. They are now living at 27 West 96th St.

Married—ROWENA RIPIN to Heinz Ansbacher.

Married—ELLA I. LOUDON to William Bell, June 29, 1933.

**1928** Engaged—SYLVIA DACHS to Leon Noel Booth. Miss Dachs is living at 102 West 85th St.

Married—HELEN S. MANZ to Fred Watzik. They live in Vienna.

**1929** Married—MARY F. BAMBERGER to Samuel Philip Oppenheimer, October 9, 1934. They are living at 225 East 57th St.

Married—AMY E. JACOB to Milton J. Goell, Sept. 5, 1934. Mr. and Mrs. Goell are living at 52 Clarke St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

Married—RUTH ELLEN RABLEN to Arthur Franzen, Nov. 28, 1934.

**1930** Married—KATIE M. JAECKER to Gregory M. Dexter. They are living at 32 Fenimore Rd., Scarsdale, N. Y.

Married—HILDA ELINORE BRANDENSTEIN to Harry D. Buegeleisen, Nov. 25, 1930. They are now living at 255 West 88th St.

**1931** Born—to Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Caruthers (MARGARET MITCHELL) a son, Blake Gilder, Nov. 11, 1934. Their present address is Cedar Road, Towaco, N. J.

Not really lost—ESTHER AMALIA TRINKAUS lives at 603 Main St., Port Jefferson, N. Y.

Married—ELEANOR EARL to Ferdinand Wolf, April, 1934. They are living at 70 Bank St., N. Y. C. Mrs. Wolf is assisting on the editorial staff of Scribners.

**1932** Married—DOROTHY GRISTEDE to Guenter F. Hansen-Sturm, December 11, 1934.

Married—PATRICIA E. HOFF to T. Achilles Polyzoides, Sept. 1, 1934. They are living at 311 East 72nd St.

**1933** Engaged—BONNIE V. ROBINSON to Alan Bolte. Engaged—FRANCES B. WIENER to Bernard Krasnow.

**1934** JANE M. MARTIN is studying at Mills College, Oakland, Cal., on a Teaching Fellowship in Fine Arts.

Married—RACHEL GIBB to James Barbour Barr, September 10, 1934.

## NECROLOGY

**1904** MABEL DENTON died on October 2, 1934 in Rutherford, N. J.

**1908** Mrs. Harry Lovatt Morgan (MARIAN WILSON) and her daughter were killed in an automobile accident, December 17, 1934. Mrs. Morgan was a sister of Anne Wilson, 1912.

**1911** GERTRUDE E. SAUL died on December 10, 1934.





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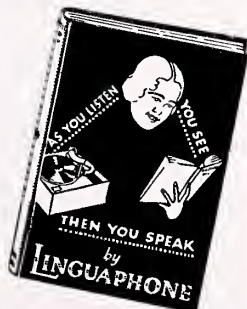
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